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### INTERVIEW SUMMARY PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1,133(b)

Dear Sir:

At the outset, Applicants would like to thank Primary Examiner Blaine Lankford and Examiner Taeyoon Kim for the courtesy of the personal Examiner's Interview conducted at the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) on March 27, 2007. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.133(b), Applicants submit the following Interview Summary.

At the March 27, 2007 Interview, Dr. Steve Pakola, Dr. Marc De Smet, Stuart Laermer, Donna Meuth, and Joseph Koipally participated on behalf of the Applicants. Primary Examiner Blaine Lankford and Examiner Taeyoon Kim participated on behalf of the USPTO.

Applicants first provided a short description of the Assignee, ThromboGenics.

Background information relating to the invention was then provided. The differences between plasmin and microplasmin, and recent experimental data from clinical trials using microplasmin for vitreolysis were then discussed.

Applicants also requested that the Examiners reconsider the three Restriction Requirements imposed in the instant application by the prior Examiner. The Examiners indicated that they would consider the prior Restrictions when the case was taken up for

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examination. The Examiners requested that Applicants provide a Supplemental paper in response to clarify the response to the third Restriction Requirement to identify the specific SEQ ID NO corresponding to the elected species. Applicants submitted this paper on March 29, 2007, indicating that the elected species corresponded to SEQ ID NO:4 in the application as filed.

The overlapping subject matter in the instant application and U.S. Application No. 11/126,625 ("the '625 Application"), published as Pub. No. US 2006/0257391 was also discussed. The fact that Applicants filed their U.S. application more than one year prior to the '625 Application being filed, and filed a priority application in Great Britain more than two years prior was also discussed. Applicants' applications are thus prior art to the '625 Application.

No fees are believed to be due in connection with this filing. However, if any fees are due, please charge the requisite fees to Deposit Account No. 08-0219.

If the Examiner has any questions, he is invited to call the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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